

Hello, and Greetings from Camp Med-o-lark,

We are excited to share our version of creative summer magic with you!

Camp Med-o-lark offers a high-quality program focusing on being creative. We specialize in visual and fine arts, performing arts, circus, music, culinary, digital media, equestrian, waterfront, and much more. Life at Med-o-lark revolves around creativity, new experiences, and personal expression. Med-o-lark recruits professional level artists each summer to teach activities, assisted by our counselors chosen for their talents, personalities, and unique skills. All counselors have at least one year of college experience; many are Med-o-lark alums.

What makes Camp Med-o-lark "magic"? Our campers and staff come together from all over the world and love to be creative, have fun, perform, make music, fly on the trapeze, learn, develop, grow, and make friendships that last a lifetime. We strive to give our campers an experience they will never forget.

**Med-o-lark embraces inclusion, diversity, and individualism.** We offer spectacular creative activities, special events, evening activities, games, excursions, performances, outdoor play, guest entertainment, and the opportunity to be yourself and embrace your inner creative spirit.

**Med-o-lark is an individual choice program camp.** Before camp, we will provide an activity preference form for families to tell us about their interests, talents, and skills so we can offer a custom program in which they can build on existing skills or explore something new. After enjoying a "sampler" day, campers can choose their schedule and select six activities every two weeks. Campers have a rest hour after lunch to catch their breath, relax and have "canteen time" at night to socialize, have a snack, practice, study lines, or just boogie with our in-house DJ.

**Med-o-lark visiting/showcase day.** At the end of each session, our families are invited to camp to partake in an afternoon with their camper(s), try activities for themselves, and take in a performance, presentation, or showcase of all the creative work the campers have put together in that session. If you cannot make it to camp for these days, do not worry; we can arrange a visit with your camper at your convenience.

Campers at Med-o-lark range in age from 8 to 16. We also have a robust Leader-In-Training (LIT) Program for our 17-year-old campers, focusing on mentorship, peer mediation, community service, and leadership skills. Each bunk is staffed with counselors and is overseen by our head counselors, campus managers, and Camp Director.

Campers at Med-o-lark can attend for a three-week, four-week, six-week, or seven-week session (full summer). For this year (2024), Med-o-lark also offers an introductory two-week session for campers.

Med-o-lark charters bus service from New York City, Westchester (Rye), NY, and Newton, MA. For campers traveling by plane, arrangements will be made for pickup from the Portland Jetport and Boston's Logan Airport.

We would love to get to know your family and discover what excites you about joining the Med-o-lark family. Please feel free to set up a face-to-face meeting (video call) with a Camp Director through the link below or call us at your convenience. We look forward to meeting you!

Sincerely Yours,

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Creativity. Experience. Inspiration. Friendship. What inspires YOU?





The Creative Arts Camp of New England



### What is Med-o-lark Magic?

ocated among quiet hills on the shore of a pristine lake in mid-coastal Maine, Camp Med-o-lark is a world of imagination, creativity, and discovery. Med-o-larkers gather each summer to create a community in which everyone has the chance to grow, create, learn, make friendships, experience, and shine. With an emphasis in the creative arts, Camp Med-o-lark has extensive offerings in fine and visual arts, circus, theatre, theater, music, culinary, waterfront and much more. Campers can attend a three, four, six or seven week session. Camp Med-o-lark embraces inclusion, diversity and individualism. Because friendship, creativity, inspiration and experience are our hallmarks, no one feels "left-out".

#### "There's just something about this place ... "

that makes the experience powerful and exciting. Something which lies beyond the activites, exciting special events, guest entertainers, off-camp trips, performances, workshops, shows, and serene location. What is that "something"? As so many campers and staff say, "It's the people." It's the magic that is made when people come together to be themselves in a remarkable arts community. We hope that you will join us for truly amazing summer camp experience and discover the magic for yourself.

## **Our History**

n 1904, Camp Medomak was established on Washington Lake in Maine by Frank Poland. It was one of the first all boys summer camps in the in the United States. In 1924, Wetona Camp for Girls was founded by Bertha Stevens just across the lake as Medomak Camp's sister camp. Medomak Camp eventually purchased Wetona Girls Camp in 1946. Upon their union, the camp was renamed Med-o-lark to play on the



original Medomak name, and to honor the Meadowlark bird native to Washington Lake. Camp Medo-lark operated as a co-ed camp until its closure in 1965.



## **Our Philosophy**

Ust two years later, Camp Med-o-lark was re-established as the Arts Camp that it is today. Diverse in every way, Med-o-lark was one of the first private camps to embrace campers of color and campers from other countries. It was a special place emphasizing individual growth and community spirit. As a result of this pioneering approach, Med-o-lark became an instant success. Today, Med-o-lark stays true to its roots, continuing its long tradition of values in a creative, nurturing, and fun environment.

ed-o-lark encourages and embraces creativity, curiosity, collaboration, inspiration, individu-

alism, equity, and inclusion. We have created a second home for campers to grow their artistic abilities and nurture their talents. In just one session, campers can design their own program, and set their own artistic goals. Each day consists of six, hour-long activity experiences with a rest hour after lunch. We offer day trips, excursions and special events created by both campers and staff. There is also built in time to play, be social, discover, relax, dance, design, laugh and breathe.





By the end of their session(s) they are proud of the work they have created and share their

creations with other campers, staff, friends and family. We offer (and continue to evolve) activities and experiences that will make an impact on their lives throughout the year and as they develop as young humans.

## **Camp Life**

Cabins/Bunks Campers and counselors sleep on bunk beds. A full bathroom completes each cabin (hot water, showers, sinks, toilets). Dressers are provided for clothing and personal items.



#### The Dining Hall

Camp Med-o-lark offers an extensive, buffet-style dining experience. The delicious assortment of quality and healthy foods made each day by our kitchen staff ensures that there is always something for everyone. For lunch and dinner, we prepare a large stocked salad bar. We prepare for vegetarians, pescatarians and many allergies. We are a peanut free camp. Campers can choose what they like, and return as often as they like. In addition, fruit, veggies and local pickles are available all day for campers on the dining hall deck. There are afternoon and evening snacks in the canteen. There are additional options for purchase in our canteen such as candy, sodas, chips, and healthy options.

The Heath Center Med-o-lark has a fully equipped health center located in the center of camp. At all times, it is staffed by at least two medical professionals; registered nurses and/or doctors. All medication(s) are held and distributed by our medical staff. In addition, the Sheepscot Medical Center, a regional health care facility, is less than a ten minute drive while Maine General Medical Center in Augusta is 25 minutes away.

#### A Typical Day

Med-o-lark offers an all-choice program in which campers choose their own activities. Campers choose six daily activity periods that run on average for two weeks. In a typical Med-o-lark day, you can go boating, start a ceramics project, work on a short movie, rehearse for a show, play in band, read a book, try



something new, the choice is yours! On our lazy day, campers can sleep in, go on a trip, enjoy an extended day of free time and chill activities, or enjoy the Med-o-lark waterfront. Families have input on their campers program by way of an activity preference sheet sent home before camp. Our program director and head counselors manage campers growth and development. Med-o-lark also offers individual instruction in many areas.

**Daily Schedule** 

Wake up 7:30am Breakfast 8:00am Morning Get Together 8:45am Bunk Cleanup 9:00am 1st Activity 9:30am 2nd Activity 10:45am 3rd Activity 12:00am Lunch 1:00pm Rest Hour 1:30pm 4th Activity 2:30pm 5th Activity 3:45pm 6th Activity 5:00pm Dinner 6:00pm Evening Activity 7:15pm Canteen 8:45pm **Bed Time** 9:30pm - 10:30pm

# Activities

## **Fine Arts**

Basketry Beading/Bead Weaving Candle Making/Wax Sculpting Ceramics Drawing Duct Tape Art Enameling Champleve **Cloisonne Enameling** Copper Enameling Fabric and Textile Arts Batik Fashion Design Knitting Sewing Shibori Silk Painting Tie Dye Hand Loom Design Flameworking/Hot Glass Found Art/Street Art/ Graffiti Glass Jewelry Making Leatherworking Macrame Mask Making/Paper Mache Sculpting Metalsmithing/Metal Jewelry Painting Sketching Scrapbooking Soap Making Stained Glass Stone Carving Wood Working Woodburning Wood Carving Woodturning

## Creative Arts

**Culinary Arts** Brick Oven/Wood-fired oven Main Courses Side Dishes Knife Skills **Cooking Techniques** Desserts **Digital Media Arts** 3D-Sculpture/3D-Printing Claymation **Digital Animation** Game Design Graphic Design **Digital Photography** Movie Making/Video Editing Podcasting Virtual Reality Web Design **Graphic Arts** Anime Block Printing/Print Making Cartooning Collage Darkroom Film Photography Fashion Photography Creative Writing Journalism Poetry Reading Wordsmithing

**Circus Arts** Acrobatics Aerial Hoop Balance Board Clowning Juggling **Devil Sticks** Diabolo Mini-Trampoline Tightrope Trick Bicycle **Flying Trapeze** Single Trapeze Double Trapeze Tumbling Silks Spanish Web Ribbons **Roman Rings** Unicycle Walking Globes

## Performing Arts

Music Drums, Guitar, Bass, Keys Rock/Pop Bands Song Writing/Studio Choral/Acapella Music Theatre Troupe Voice Lessons (group and private) **Theater Arts** Musicals/Comedy/Drama Plays Theater Classes/Games/Improv Cabaret Mime One Act Play Monologues and Scene Study Tech Theatre (Set Design, Lighting/ Sound/Props/Costumes) Stage Makeup

#### Waterfront

Boating Canoeing Diving board and slide Fishing Kayaking Knee Boarding Pontoon Boating Sailing Standup Paddleboarding (SUP) Swimming Tubing Wakeboarding Wakesurfing Water Skiing Windsurfing **Horseback Riding** Dressage Horse care **Sports** Archery Basketball Fencing Fitness Classes/Aerobics/Zumba Frisbee Hula Hooping Horseback riding Martial Arts Mountain Biking Rock wall Soccer Tetherball Tennis Volleyball Meditation Yoga

## Horses, Waterfront & More

## **Fine Arts**

Basketry Beading **Candle Making** Ceramics Enameling **Duct Tape Arts** Embroidery Flameworking/Hot Glass Glass Jewelry Leatherworking Mask Making Macrame Metal Jewelry Mosaics Scrap Booking Soap Making Stone Carving **Stained Glass** Wax Sculpting Woodburning Woodcarving Fabric/Textils Silk Painting Tie-Dye Batik Shibori FashionDesign Sewing Knitting

Camp Med-o-lark is home to one of the largest and varied fine and visual arts programs in camping. Most of our fine arts have their own dedicated studios specifically designed for each activity. All activities are led by professional-level artisans and college students majoring in their respective arts.

#### Ceramics

Our well-equipped ceramics studio provides campers unlimited creativity. Campers can create sculptures and busts, make tiles, pour molds, and learn how to use our many pottery wheels to take their projects to the next level. Our talented staff are always able to guide campers as they learn about clay, glazing, firing, and the production of finished pieces.



#### **Metal Jewelry**

Our metal jewelry studio focuses on pieces such as necklaces, belt buckles, medallions, rings, earrings, and chains. The work is done in copper and silver, and campers are encouraged to incorporate other materials into their projects, such as stone settings and enameled pendants.



#### Cloisonné Enameling

An ancient enameling technique where wires are bent to form a design and a wet-inlay of enamel is filled into the cell. In this studio, campers learn how to create Cloisonne on fine silver. Creations are kiln fired at 1500 degrees Farenheit between 7-10 times for incredible results.

#### **Mosaics/Collaging/Found Art**

Exciting new activities that utilize creativity and found materials to create new work of art. Campers can use found materials to create collages, excercising spatial skills and creativity! Mosaics are small pieces of glass, stone and other materials used to create images. You wont believe what you can make from materials around camp!

#### Basketry

The ancient art of basketry is alive and well in this popular studio, as campers learn the weaving techniques necessary to create beautiful custom baskets. The baskets are made from all-natural materials and can be woven with varying patterns and colorful fibers.



#### Flame Working (Hot Glass)

In this modern fully-equipped studio, an experienced glass worker instructs campers in the art of glass sculpting. Campers use torches to melt colored glass rods. Once melted, campers shape and form the liquefied glass into small sculptures, utensils, and decorative marbles. Med-o-lark's trained staff works closely with the campers to ensure complete safety.



#### **Soap Making**

Handmade soaps are fun to make, and each one is a unique piece of art. Campers mix their color palette and design their own soap using techniques like layering and curling. Campers use the "melt and pour" method and add fantastic flourishes like botanicals, essential oils, and fragrances. Rose petals, lavender, poppy seeds, peppermint, and coffee look lovely and help make skin healthy. Campers can also make lip balm from beeswax. Soapmaking excites all the senses in its practice, and it feels great to make something beautiful that you can use. Great for all ages, campers learn to wrap and package soaps for gifts and for personal use.



#### **Stained Glass**

Campers choose from an extensive variety of colored and textured glass to make stunning works that reflect light like only glass can. Campers can create multiple pieces to bring home by using patterns or creating their own designs. Projects include picture frames, candle holders, landscape wall hangings, and sun catchers.

#### **Candle Making**

Housing one of Med-o-lark's most unique programs, the Wax House is one of our most popular activities in camp, and is always teeming with excitement. Campers create various candle types including ribbon candles, sand candles and sculpted candles. A wax artist helps campers manage the "dipping" process, which involves continuously coating a candle's wick with layers of colorful wax.



#### **Stone Carving**

Using rough-hewn blocks of soapstone in this studio, campers shape and carve beautiful creations that can last forever. Campers create small sculptures, pendants, vases, candlestick holders, clock inlays, sundials and more.



#### Leatherworking

A time-honored handcraft synonymous with camp. Campers learn to cut, shape, stitch, adorn, stain, and enjoy their creations in leather. Moccasins, pouches, boots, handbags and belts, are just some of the many finished products that are manufactured in this studio. Supple elk-hide is most commonly used as the raw material for these projects. It is durable, handsome and easy to work with. Oil-based paint is used for precise decoration, and the hide soft enough to be stitched for practical use.

#### **Wood Carving**

A time-tested camp favorite, campers use X-acto knives and carving tools to mold and decorate wood of all species, shapes and sizes. Oils, pastels and water-based paint for coloring and shading are used to enhance campers creations. Many campers even design frames to complete their work. Our woodcarving studio provides proper teaching methods and ample supervision.



#### Wood Burning

A unique variation of wood carving, campers use pencil-like precision instruments to literally burn sketch lines, make incisions, and provide the final strokes into different species of wood to create everlasting works of art. Campers use electric tools that provide just enough heat to be able to burn detailed pictures and drawings into various of wooden items.

#### **Duct Tape Art**

Oh, the wonderful things made out of tape! Who knew the handy-person's (and NASA's) secret fix-all is such a marvelous medium with which to create? Bursting with various colors, campers manufacture items as diverse as quilts, dresses, flip-flops, wallets, masks, hats, show props and a million other things! Always fun and popular, duct tape art has been offered at Camp Med-o-lark since it's founding.

#### Beading

In this expansive studio, campers create beautiful jewelry and accessories. The studio is equipped with a wide array of materials, and staff teach many innovative techniques for working with beads. Campers create necklaces of every shape, coin purses, chandelier earrings, broaches, dream catchers, woven bracelets, Fimo beads and much more.



#### Painting/Drawing at the "Art Barn"

A beautiful, spacious 200-year old barn is centrally located among Med-o-lark's many art studios. Here, staff teach campers techniques and styles in painting, drawing, sketching, cartooning, anime, graffiti and other graphic arts. Campers choose from a wide variety of media with which to create. These include, oil, pastel, watercolor, pen and ink charcoal, and conté. The specially designed layout of workspaces allows for young artists to be inspired in a beautiful setting. An open studio elective is offered for campers who wish to use their imagination and work on their choice of projects.



#### Fabric and Textile Arts

Campers will explore the creative use of fabric and textiles through fashion design, hat making, knitting, sewing, silk painting, and tie-dye. They will also be able to try batik and shibori, the Indonesian



and Japanese arts of hand-dyeing intricate designs into fabric. Campers interested in fabric and textile arts can bring home wearable memories they can use all year.

## Performing Arts

#### Theatre

Musical Theatre Shows Plays (Comedy, Drama) The Cabaret Stage Makeup Set Design Theater Tech One Act Play Improv Comedy Costume Design/Build

#### Dance

Ballet Ballroom Belly Dancing Break Dancing Hip-Hop Jazz Latin Styles Lyrical Modern Tap

#### Music

Rock Band (Drums, Bass, Guitar, Keyboard) Barbershop/Acapella Vocal Lessons Songwriting Music Production Recording Studio

#### Theater

Med-o-lark's Theater program is designed to appeal to campers of all abilities. From campers who have never performed on stage to those with prior acting/singing/dancing experience, our performing arts staff create an exciting, fun, and theatrical atmosphere, while producing guality shows that campers are proud to participate in. Auditions are held for each show, play, troupe, and cabaret. If you audition, you are in a show! This allows first time performers to feel safe in trying something new and exciting and more seasoned performers to feel right at home. Med-o-lark offers musicals, plays, a cabaret and for two-week campers, a one-act play festival. All shows are produced and performed on site in either the Theater, Coliseum or outdoor stage. Med-o-lark also offers many different classes such as audition technique, characterization, improv, scene study, poetry, Shakespeare and more. In addition, campers can become part of the productions without performing on stage. These activities include set design, prop management, stage make-up, costume design and build, and theater tech (lights, sound, video). These activities are open to campers of any age.







#### Dance

Campers get involved in the always popular Med-o-lark dance program. Dance at Medo-lark includes ballet, contemporary, modern, commercial (hip-hop), jazz, and tap, with quality instruction that appeals to campers of every skill level. Beginner, intermediate and advanced groups are offered in each genre. Campers can also showcase their talents to the entire camp community at events such as the talent show, sharing night, and the special end-of-session Dance Show. The Med-o-lark dance program utilizes multiple indoor dance studios, an outdoor stage, and an indoor stage for special performances.

#### Music

Music is an exciting and updated area that is blowing up at Camp Med-o-lark. Designed for young musicians, form a band with your friends to rock out and learn new songs every week. We offer instruction in acoustic, electric and bass guitar, drums, keyboard, and, of course, vocals. A fully equipped recording studio is available for campers who wish to record any songwriting, singing or performing that they have produced and created. While the camp has plenty of "gear," campers are encouraged to bring their personal instruments from home to showcase and share their skills with the community during sharing nights, talent shows and end-of-session shows.



## Culinary Arts

Brick Oven Baking Knife Skills International Cuisine Vegetarian Cuisine Desserts Main Courses

## Digital Arts

3-D Printing/Sculpture
Digital Animation
Claymation
Game Design
Graphic Design
Digital Photography
Movie Making
Webdesign
Podcasting
Social Media
Al Programming
Virtual Reality

## Photography

Film Photography Darkroom Development Fashion/Food Photography

#### **Culinary Arts**

Overlooking our beautiful waterfront, a wood-fired brick oven emanates the enchanting aroma of fresh pizza, cinnamon rolls, bagels, naan bread, pretzels and much more. Camp Med-o-lark is home to multiple culinary arts kitchens where campers create delectable dishes using all the tools you'd find at home. Classes in this area include baked goods, international cuisine, wood-fired oven, main courses, desserts, vegetarian recipes and more!



**Digital Media Lab -** Med-o-lark's digital media arts, film/video studio has a full line of state-of-the- art equipment and software.

#### **Digital Film and Video**

Become a filmmaker at camp! Campers work in small groups under the guidance of staff to produce movies, shorts, music videos, and commercials. Campers acquire skills in shooting, storyboarding, editing, adding transitions, special effects, adding transitions, and music layovers to their projects.



#### **3D Printing/Sculpture**

Calling inventors and tinkerers of all ages! Turn your imagination into reality in our fun and exciting 3D Printing studio. Using TINKERCAD software, campers learn to design projects, prototypes and other useful and zany creations! Come and participate in the future of graphic design and manufacturing.

#### Video Game Design

Virtual world manufacturing! Design and build your own society using the latest software platforms!

#### **Film Photography**

Featuring a darkroom with manual film cameras, and six enlargers. Med-olark's photography program offers instruction in traditional black-and-white photography,photographic composition and film/picture development.

Have you ever wanted to run away and join the circus? Well, if you have, then you've come to the right place! Med-o-lark's flying trapeze and circus program is available to all campers who want a taste of all that the Big Top has to offer. Camp Med-o-lark combines clowning, tumbling, juggling, trapeze, flying trapeze, Spanish web, tightrope and other acts, culminating in an end- ofcamp extravaganza, for those who wish to participate. Beginners through advanced circus performers will excel under the guidance of Med-o-lark's highly skilled and experienced circus staff. In addition to being enormously fun, our circus program provides valuable skill development. Circus stunts combine physical conditioning, balance, agility, trust, teamwork and dexterity: perfect for dancers, athletes and campers who love a challenge.

## Circus Arts

**Acrobatics Aerial Hoop Balance Board** Clowning Juggling **Balls** Clubs (Pins/Batons) **Devil Sticks** Diabolo Rings **Mini-Trampoline** Tightrope **Trick Bicycle** Trapeze **Double Trapeze Flying Trapeze** Single Trapeze Tumbling Silks Spanish Web **Spinning Plates** Ribbons **Roman Rings** Unicycle Walking Globes

## Horses,Sports, Waterfront

Aerobics/Fitness Archery **Basketball** Cornhole Fencing Frisbee Hula Hooping Jogging Horseback riding **Mountain Biking** Soccer **Tetherball** Tennis **Ultimate Frisbee** Volleyball Yoga & Meditation

#### Waterfront

Boating Canoeing Crew/Rowing Diving board and slide Fishing Inflatables Kayaking **Knee Boarding Pontoon Boating** Sailing Standup Paddleboarding Swimming Tubing Wakeboarding Wakesurfing Water Pad Water Skiing Windsurfing



#### Waterfront

There is a view of our beautiful, crystal clear, three mile lake from almost anywhere on the Med-o-lark campus, Washington lake is the heart of the camp's extensive waterfront program. During the summer, the lake is a refreshing way for campers to beat the heat of the day. Certified lifeguards are always on duty, as safety is our top priority. Additionally, Med-o-lark employs the "buddy system" whereby campers must always swim in pairs. Swimming lessons are available for beginner swimmers. Med-o-lark's waterfront program is outfitted with a full line of top-quality equipment to ensure fun, safe and thrilling experiences.

Mastercraft speedboats support the exciting waterskiing, wakeboarding and tubing activities. With specialized equipment and individualized instruction designed for first-time to advanced skiers, Med-o-lark provides opportunities for beginners to learn, and for more advanced riders to perfect their techniques and learn new tricks. Med-o-lark offers sailing for the beginner with Sunfish and Hunters. A large number of kayaks and canoes are always in use at camp. Med-o-lark's swimming area has a large water trampoline and a diving board that provides fun and excitement for all.





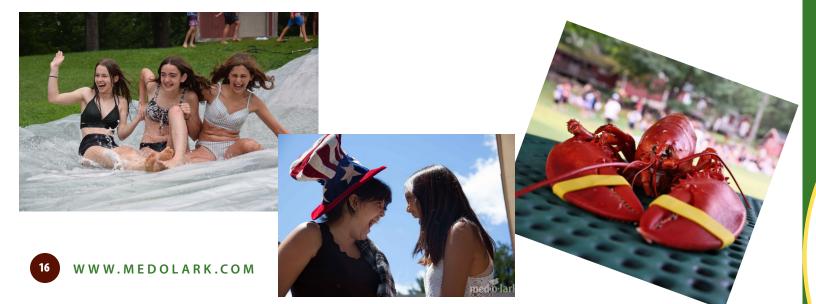
#### **Evening Activities**

very night at Camp Med-o-lark is special. Med-o-lark takes great pride in the quality and variety of its unique evening activities where campers can be participants or spectators. The staff and campers work hard to create entertaining and original activities that foster a sense of community. Some of the most popular evening activities are staff and camper talent shows, "campchella," paint your counselor, sharing nights for promoting new friendships, cabin nights for bonding with friends, campfires for gathering outdoors, special appearances by guest performers, luau nights, lake cruises and the exciting Med-o-lark spark.



#### **Special Events**

Med-o-lark has a long-standing tradition of treating campers to a day-long celebration on the 4th of July. Among other activities, campers enjoy a barbecue lunch and patriotic reenactments. Halfway through each session, International food and fun day is held to celebration of our cultural diversity. Filled with color, excitement and fun, Carnival Day is complete with all traditional carnival activities, games, food, and rides. At the end of each session, there are three full days of festivities for campers to enjoy and celebrate their Med-o-lark experience. There are several theater, dance, circus and musical performances, as well as the formal opening of the art show. Parents are welcome to attend these activities. On the final night of each session, a traditional closing Banquet, complete with Maine lobst*ah*, is enjoyed by all. Campers enjoy a closing show, a concluding campfire, and an extraordinary candlelighting ceremony. On this special night, campers celebrate the Med-o-lark community, their amazing summer, their accomplishments, and perhaps most importantly, the friends they have made whom they will treasure forever.



## **Camp Leadership**

**David Weinstein -** Camp Director/Owner - comes to Camp Med-o-lark with 30 years of professional experience in premiere northeast residential summer camping. In addition to camp, David is an educator, musician, composer, songwriter, lyricist, orchestrator, arranger, music director, conductor and recording producer. As a lifelong artist, he has worked at every level from community theatre, to bands and orchestras to high school and college, to national tours, to cruise line entertainment and Broadway. He has produced, adapted and music directed and conducted recordings for Broadway Junior, TYA and School Edition series for Music Theatre International, Disney Theatrical Productions, Stage Works Media, Playscripts, Concord Theatrical, and iTheatrics. David has also written and published several musicals performed in various theatres nationwide. David was a camper, counselor and has done every other job you can do at camp. He is thrilled to be able to bring a strong arts background and his love for summer camp together at Camp Med-o-lark.

**Scott Weinstein -** Camp Director - A Med-o-lark icon for almost two decades, Scott takes take his responsibility as a mentor and role model for campers seriously. Parenting two children with his wife Dana, Ellen and Danny, has heightened his awareness that young people need a safe and nurturing environment in which to grow. Scott completed his degree in finance and economics at New York University's Stern School of Business while working at the New York Stock Exchange.

**Jody Moser -** Assistant Director - Jody manages the daily programs at camp. Jody also oversees the leadership development program. Jody received his Bachelor's degree from Northwestern University where he studied philosophy and comparative religion, minoring in music. Jody received his Master's degree from Harvard University in ethical theory, and has a Ph.D from Northwestern in Religion and Philosophy. Before assuming his current responsibilities as Program Director, he was a long-time camper and favorite counselor at Med-o-lark.

**Brendan Miller -** Director of Staff and Operations - For over 15 years, Brendan has carefully selected domestic and international counselor staff and adult artists who share the Med-o-lark vision and values. With a B.S. in Business Administration from SUNY Albany, Brendan started his career on Wall St. on the New York Stock Exchange but quickly discovered his love for camp. Brendan is a long-time supporter of the arts and is passionate about supporting the creativity around camp. He can be seen driving Molly the Trolley, teaching some classes, jumping into special events and evening activities, and managing camp operations. Brendan, his wife Jessica, and their two boys, Nathan and Dylan, consider Med-o-lark their summer home.

**Missy Vigue -** Director of Family Engagement - Missy helps to manage camper enrollments and travel, as well as coordinating camper forms and communicating with our families throughout the year. Missy was born in Atlanta and graduated from Vanderbilt University with a bachelor's degree in music performance. She completed her Master's degree in orchestral conducting at the University of New Mexico before relocating to Washington, Maine. In the summer when not at camp, Missy enjoys exploring the adventureland of Maine with her husband and two sons, Brody and Logan. Missy also performs with local orchestras and chamber ensembles throughout the year, continuing to make musical connections with her flute in groups throughout the state.

**Laura Silvia -** Office/Admin Director - Laura was born and raised within walking distance of camp. Growing up, she became very knowledgeable of Med-o-lark and its' many offerings and operations. She joined the Med-o-lark staff in the fall of 2006 to assist in the camp office, and manage various administrative roles. She brings a warm, friendly disposition to the campers and staff. Through her well-established local relationships, she also brings the added dimension of enhancing Med-o-lark's good standing with the surrounding community. She is always available to be of service to anyone needing help with any questions or concerns.

**Sara R. Ellis -** Camp Improvement Director - By day, Sara is a lawyer and therapist; by night, she is a world-traveling adventurer. Sara treasures trying new things; her escapades include everything from acupuncture to zorbing. Some of Sara's favorite adventures include whitewater rafting, paragliding, flying a plane, and sleeping in a treehouse in the Peruvian Amazon. Sara uses her artistic side to capture her travels via photographs and storytelling; she brings these skills and vision to Med-o-lark as she works to improve the campus and its activities. Her curious spirit reflects the very nature of Med-o-lark. When Sara is not out capturing the world, she enjoys spending time with her husband and two beautiful golden retrievers, Copper and Lexi.

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